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<u>Amendments to the Claims:</u> This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

- 1. 54. (Canceled)
- 55. (Currently Amended) An isolated recombinant polypeptide comprising a member selected from the group consisting of:
 - (a) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, orand
 - (b) an immunogenic polypeptide comprising a fragment sequence of at least 15

 amino acids having an aligned contiguous segement from amino acid positions 1
 47 or amino acid positions 104-276 of SEQ ID NO:2,

fragment of at least 40 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2; wherein the immunogenic fragment isolated polypeptide, when administered to a subject in a composition which can include an adjuvant, or conjugated to a suitable carrier, induces an antibody or T-cell immune response that recognizes theto the polypeptide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

- 56. (Currently Amended) The isolated recombinant polypeptide of claim 55, wherein the polypeptide comprises the amino <u>acid</u> sequence SEQ ID NO:2.
- 57. (Currently Amended) The isolated recombinant polypeptide of claim 55, wherein the polypeptide consists of the amino <u>acid</u> sequence SEQ ID NO:2.
- 58. (Currently Amended) The isolated recombinant polypeptide of claim 55, wherein the polypeptide comprises an immunogenic polypeptide comprising a fragment sequence of at least 15 amino acids having an aligned contiguous segement from amino acid positions 1-47 or amino acid positions 104-276 of SEQ ID NO:2an immunogenic fragment of at least 40 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2; wherein the immunogenic fragment, when administered to a subject in a composition which can include an adjuvant, or conjugated to a suitable carrier, induces an antibody or T cell immune response that recognizes the polypeptide SEQ-ID-NO:2.
- 59. (Currently Amended) An isolated recombinant fusion protein comprising the <u>isolated</u> recombinant polypeptide of claim 55.

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- 60. (Currently Amended) An isolated recombinant fusion protein comprising the <u>isolated</u> recombinant polypeptide of claim 56.
- 61. (Previously Presented) An isolated recombinant fusion protein comprising the polypeptide of claim 58.
- 62. (Currently Amended) An immunogenic composition comprising the <u>isolated</u> recombinant polypeptide of claim 55.
- 63. (Previously Presented) An immunogenic composition comprising the isolated recombinant fusion protein of claim 59.
- 64. (Currently Amended) A vaccine comprising the <u>isolated recombinant</u> polypeptide of claim 55 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 65. (Currently Amended) A vaccine comprising the <u>isolated recombinant</u> polypeptide of claim 56 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 66. (Currently Amended) A vaccine comprising the <u>isolated recombinant</u> polypeptide of claim 58 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 67. (Previously Presented) The vaccine according to claims 64, 65, or 66, further comprising at least one other *Moraxella catarrhalis* antigen.
- 68. (Previously presented) A method for inducing an immune response in a mammal comprising administration of the isolated recombinant polypeptide of claim 55.